We claim:

1. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an OP/BMP morphogen and an Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitor (ACEI).

2. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an OP/BMP morphogen and an Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonist (AIIRA).

3. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an inducer of endogenous OP/BMP morphogen expression and an Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitor (ACEI).

4. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an inducer of endogenous OP/BMP morphogen expression and an Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonist (AIIRA).

5. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an agonist of an OP/BMP morphogen receptor and an Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitor (ACEI).

6. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an agonist of an OP/BMP morphogen receptor and an Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonist (AIIRA).

7. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising introducing into the kidney of said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of renal mesenchymal progenitor cells pre-treated conjointly with an ACEI and an agent that increases the abundance of an OP/BMP morphogen.

8. (original) A method of treating or preventing chronic renal failure in a mammal, comprising introducing into the kidney of said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of renal mesenchymal progenitor cells pre-treated conjointly with an AIIRA and an agent that increases the abundance of an OP/BMP morphogen.

(9-11 cancelled).

12. (original) A method for delaying the need for, or reducing the frequency of, chronic dialysis treatments, comprising conjointly administering to a mammal an OP/BMP morphogen and an ACEI.

13. (original) A method for delaying the need for, or reducing the frequency of, chronic dialysis treatments, comprising conjointly administering to a mammal an OP/BMP morphogen and an AIIRA.

14. (original) A method for delaying the need for, or reducing the frequency of, chronic dialysis treatments, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an inducer of endogenous OP/BMP morphogen expression and an ACEI.

15. (original) A method for delaying the need for, or reducing the frequency of, chronic dialysis treatments, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an inducer of endogenous OP/BMP morphogen expression and an AIIRA.

16. (original) A method for delaying the need for, or reducing the frequency of, chronic dialysis treatments, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an agonist of an OP/BMP morphogen receptor and an ACEI.

17. (original) A method for delaying the need for, or reducing the frequency of, chronic dialysis treatments, comprising conjointly administering to said mammal an agonist of an OP/BMP morphogen receptor and an AIIRA.

(18-55 cancelled).

56. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount an ACE inhibitor and an OP/BMP morphogen formulated with pharmaceutically acceptable salt, carrier, excipient or diluent.

57. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount an AIIRA and an OP/BMP morphogen formulated with pharmaceutically acceptable salt, carrier, excipient or diluent.

(58-68 cancelled).